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Waking from a sound sleep, I walk across the cold, bare wood floor. Looking out from my bedroom window, darkness surrounds me.

Just beyond the small creek I see a train traveling on weary tracks, as smoke is spiraling in the night sky.

The sound of the train's horn beckons to me, creating a feeling of isolation, peaceful and calm. A loneliness, but not alone.

The horn sounds again and again. Comforting, reassuring, relaxing. I close my eyes and linger, one moment more.